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Natick, Massachusetts 01760-5052

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

AMSTA-LC-CEA

02 August 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL USERS OF THE G-12E SERIES CARGO PARACHUTE

SUBJECT: G-12E Centerline serviceability criteria

- 1. Purpose: To clarify the serviceable length of the G-12E Centerline. NSN: 1670-01-064-4928. Part No. 11-1-568.
- 2. Due to varying lengths of parachutes, and centerlines, NO <u>measurement</u> of the G-12E centerline will be used to determine if a centerline is too short. The following will be adhered to when packing the G-12E Cargo Parachute for airdrop.
 - a. When the centerline is pulled down through the canopy, attachment of centerline to the clevis does not cause the upper lateral band to be pulled below the lower lateral band.
 - b. It is acceptable for the apex lines and girth hitch to fall below the lower lateral band. If the upper lateral band is pulled below the lower lateral band to connect the centerline to the clevis, the centerline will be considered unserviceable.
- 3. Units/Organizations are requested to provide this office with the date of manufacture, cage code, length (laid out straight, in a relaxed state) and the quantity, of centerlines that do not meet the stated requirements.
- 4. Units/Organizations are also requested to inform this office of any increased maintenance observed on the G-12E.
- 5. This memorandum supercedes Maintenance Advisory Message (MAM), MAM-SBCCOM (SSC)-01-01. This memorandum will expire in one year.
- 6. POC for this memorandum is CW3 Jimmy Taylor at DSN 256-6012.

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